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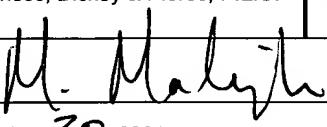
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 23, 2001, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims in accordance with the following rewritten claims in clean form. Applicants include herewith an Attachment for Claim Amendments showing a marked up version of each amended claim.

- (Sub. C1)* 1. (TWICE AMENDED) A linear seat recliner for use in a motor vehicle having a seat with a seat back pivotally connected to a seat bottom, the seat being